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White House Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler interviewed at May 4

briefing:

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Cambodia: Said President Nixon was briefed for two hours this

morning by special assistant Henry Kissinger on fishhook operation

in Cambodia, was told that action was continuing to proceed

according to plan and that significant amounts of supplies and

equipment have been taken and a significant number of enemy

casualties has been counted with very light American casualties

reported thus far.

North Viet-Nam: Stressed that United States has not rpt not resumed

bombing offensive in North Viet-Nam and that protective reaction

operations over enemy anti-aircraft and Sam (surface-to-air missile)

sites in Southern North Viet-Nam are consistent with long-standing

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administration policy. Explained that these operations, instituted by previous administration after November, 1968 bombing halt, are undertaken ~~xxx~~ to protect U.S. reconnaissance flights and security of American forces in South Viet-Nam.

Reaction: Said telephone, telegraph and mail reaction to President Nixon's decision on Cambodia has been substantial and sustained and generally in support of President. Said large volume of telegrams and letters remain to be tabulated.

Ethnic Cambodians: Confirmed ~~■~~ that ethnic Cambodians, trained and armed by United States in South Viet-Nam, now are engaged in the defense of Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh.

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Following Cambodia guidance was given Agency media today:  
Regarding speculation that the current campaign in Cambodia may adversely affect the forthcoming talks in Warsaw & with the Chinese, the State Department spokesman will say, if asked, "Now that the next meeting at Warsaw has been set for May 20, we expect that it will be held as scheduled, and we are going ahead with our preparations for a meeting on that date." State is responding to news reports that the DRV representatives have stated that the events in Cambodia "affect gravely" the scheduled Paris talks and may be preparing to leave Paris by stating that the reports have been seen and that the next meeting in Paris is still set for May 6. Media should avoid speculation along the lines of possible North Vietnamese or Chinese reactions concerning the meetings. (Secretary Rogers's May 3 CBS-TV remarks given to media).

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